

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

*๛๛๛๛๛๛๛๛๛๛๛* 

In re Application of:

Ebihara, et al.

Serial No.: 10/768,724

Confirmation No.: 5121

Filed: January 30, 2004

For: Techniques for the Use Of

Amorphous Carbon (APF) for Various Etch and Litho

**Integration Schemes** 

Mail Stop Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Group Art Unit: 1765

Examiner:

Eric B. Chen

## CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

37 CFR 1.8

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited on 2006 with the United States Postal Service as First Class Mail in an envelope addressed to: Mail Stop Amendment, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

i/17/06 Date

Signature

## SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

The Applicants, and the Attorney who signs below on the basis of the information supplied by the inventor and the information in his file, submit herewith patents, publications, or other information of which they are aware, which may be material to the examination of this application and in respect of which there may be a duty to disclose in accordance with 37 CFR § 1.56.

While the information submitted in this Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement may be material pursuant to 37 CFR § 1.56, it is not intended to constitute an admission that any patent, publication, or other information referred to therein is prior art for this invention unless specifically designated as such.

In accordance with 37 CFR § 1.97, this Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement is not to be construed as a representation that a search has been made or that no other possibly material information as defined under 37 CFR § 1.56(a) exists.

01/23/2006 DEMMANU1 00000050 200782 10768724

01 FC:1806 180.00 DA

The patents and/or publications submitted herewith are set forth on the attached Form PTO-1449.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the sum of \$180.00 due under 37 CFR § 1.17(p) pursuant to § 1.97, and any other fee necessary to make this submission timely, to the Deposit Account No.20-0782/APPM/008736/KMT.

Respectfully submitted,

Keith M. Tackett

Registration No. 32,008

MOSER, PATTERSON & SHERIDAN, L.L.P.

3040 Post Oak Blvd. Suite 1500

Houston, TX 77056

Telephone: (713) 623-4844 Facsimile: (713) 623-4846 Attorney for Applicant(s)

Approved for use through 07/31/2006. OMB 0651-0031 U.S. Patent and Trademark Office: U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, no p

ibstitute for form 1449A/PTO

plus sign (+) inside this box ->

## SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT BY APPLICANT

(Use as many sheets as necessary)

Sheet

F	persons are required to respond to a collection	of information unless it displays a valid OMB control numb	
	Application Number	10/768,724	
	Filing Date	JANUARY 30, 2004	
	First Named Inventor	TAKEAKI EBIHARA, ET AL.	
	Group Art Unit	1765	
	Examiner Name	ERIC B. CHEN	
	Attorney Docket Number	APPM/008736/DSM/BCVD/JW	
	Submission Date	1/17, 2006	

Examiner Initials*	itials* No.1		Publication Date MM-DD-YYYY	Name of Patentee or Applicant of Cited Document	Pages, Columns, Lines, Where Relevant Passages or Relevant Figures Appear
	Number-Kind Code <sup>2 (f known)</sup>				
	A1	US- 6,571,384 B2	05/27/2003	SHIN, ET AL.	
	A2	US- 5,786,115	07/28/1998	KAWABATA, ET AL.	
	A3	US- 5,308,741	05/03/1994	KEMP	
	ļ				
	ļ	<del></del>			
		*			
	<u></u>				
			-	7	
	4				
	<del> </del>				

**Date Considered** Examiner

EXAMINER: Initial if reference considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609. Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant. 1 Applicant's unique citation designation number (optional). 2 See Kinds Codes of USPTO Patent Documents at www.uspto.gov or MPEP 901.04. 3 Enter Office that issued the document, by the two-letter code (WIPO Standard ST.3). 4 For Japanese patent documents, the indication of the year of the reign of the Emperor must precede the serial number of the patent document. skind of document by the appropriate symbols as indicated on the document under WIPO Standard ST.16 if possible. Applicant is to place a check mark here if English language Translation is attached.

This collection of information is required by 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98. The information is required to obtain or retain a benefit by the public which is to file (and by the USPTO to process) an application. Confidentiality is governed by 35 U.S.C. 122 and 37 CFR 1.14. This collection is estimated to take 2 hours to complete, including gathering, preparing, and submitting the completed application form to the USPTO. Time will vary depending upon the individual case. Any comments on the amount of time you require to complete this form and/or suggestions for reducing this burden, should be sent to the Chief Information Officer, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450. DO NOT SEND FEES OR COMPLETED FORMS TO THIS ADDRESS. SEND TO: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450. If you need assistance in completing the form, call 1-800-PTO-9199 (1-800-786-9199) and select option 2.